

Snowmobile trails are open at Sprague Brook and Emery Parks. Please contact your local snowmobile association for trail availability and conditions.

#### **Contact Information**

- For more information about the Parks Department, please call the office at (716) 858-8355.
- A Winter Activities Hotline has been added this year and has the most up-todate information. Please call (716) 858-8513.
- Information is also available online at www.erie.gov/parks or on Facebook at "Erie County Parks, Recreation & Forestry."
- The Parks Department reminds users that: All winter activities are always weatherpermitting.



#### **WINTERFEST**

Winterfest 2011 will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, January 30, at Chestnut Ridge Park, located in Orchard Park. Events include, sledding, snowshoe



hikes, marshmallow roasting, arts and crafts, hayrides and snow sculpture contest. For information, please visit www.erie.gov

# 2011 Winter Activities Guide for Erie County

Your complete guide to activities happening in Erie County's Parks. Information on events, park locations and hours included inside!



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proud to distribute
the 2011 Winter
Activities Guide



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# Where to find Winter Activities



The winter season is a wonderful time for residents and visitors to enjoy the many activities offered in several of Erie County's parks.

Ice skating is available at Akron Falls and Como Lake Parks.

From downhill skiing to tobogganing, the Parks are a

great place to enjoy free activities.

#### **Akron Falls Park**

**44 Parkview Drive, Village of Akron** The Park offers snowshoeing, cross country skiing (not groomed), sledding, and ice skating.

#### **Chestnut Ridge Park**

6121 Chestnut Ridge Road, Orchard Park

The park is home to the County's toboggan runs and sledding hill, as well as cross country skiing and snowshoeing. The Casino is open.

#### **Como Lake Park**

2220 Como Park Blvd., Lancaster The park features the largest natural ice skating rink in Western New York. The grounds also include sledding hills and cross-country ski trails (not groomed), and snowshoeing. The Casino is open to the public.

#### **Ellicott Creek Park**

Niagara Falls Boulevard and Ellicott Creek Road, Tonawanda The park has a sledding hill and cross-country skiing (not groomed).

#### Elma Meadows Park

1711 Girdle Road, Elma

The park has hills and valleys for sledding, snowboarding, and tubing. The grounds also have groomed crosscountry trails.

#### **Emery Park**

2084 Emery Road, South Wales
Emery Park is home to the County's
free downhill skiing. The ski lodge has
a fireplace and tables. The grounds
also have 2 miles of groomed crosscountry skiing and snowshoeing trails.
Snowmobile trails located onsite are
marked.

#### **Sprague Brook Park**

9674 Foote Road, Glenwood



Snowshoeing trails can be found at Akron Falls, Chestnut Ridge, Como Lake, Emery and Sprague Brook Parks. Visitors are welcome to snowshoe at any of the parks with open space.

The park features a large hill for sledding and tubing. Also, the park features cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling trails.

#### **HOURS**



Enjoy Free downhill skiing at Emery Park this winter.

All activities are offered free of charge.
Participants must have proper equipment to use facilities.
Toboggans and

sleds are available to rent at the Casino Snack Shack at Chestnut Ridge Park. Call 560-8895 for information.

Parks are open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

#### **SKIING AT EMERY PARK**

- 3-8 p.m. Monday-Friday
- 11 a.m.- 7:30 p.m. Weekends
- 11 a.m.- 7:30 p.m. Holidays

## TOBOGGAN RUNS AT CHESTNUT RIDGE

- 4-8 p.m. Friday
- 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Weekends
- 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Holidays

## ICE SKATING AT COMO LAKE AND AKRON FALLS

Noon—8 p.m. Daily